



Dayton, Oregon  
June 27th

Hi Vicki and Jim,

How is everything going with you two? Still watching Watergate?? Silly question-it's on all the channels again out here! It is more interesting than earlier though-I watch some of the live hearing in the morning before I leave for work- John Dean was on again this morning-He's being pretty explicit and surely can't be fabricating very much because he would be caught in it with all the questioning and examination he's being put through! Glad it's me on the witness stand-!

This typewriter ribbon is simply terrible! I don't see why Ned doesn't put in a new one-

Jerry showed up on the Dayton scene Tuesday afternoon-He brought Steve and Brian along for a few days visit with Francie and the family-also the grandma Parker-Brian was between jobs and school and Steve was recently back from surfing in Mexico-What a tan he has! And his rather flowing locks are quite blond from the sun and surf-One of these times he will be looking for another hotel job -probably in Lake Tahoe-Brian and Sarah are back together again after a series of separations over the past year-and I understand from Jerry that Sue won't give Steve a divorce-yet, anyway-

Jerry is working with Dad and will stay at least a month-they're working at Sport Laughlins painting and paint-scraping, etc. on the barns that they built years ago-and also will be doing this on the big house on the hill too-He has it up for sale and will build something smaller closer to the area when it's sold-So they're busy -the summer weather returned yesterday too-and today's supposed to be about 90-then cooler tomorrow-I'm having my hair cut

and Francie will give me a permanent tomorrow afternoon- So we'll be glad for it's being a little cooler, no doubt- I should have her and the boys in for dinner too-She had us out two nights in a row now for fresh cherry pie-so I'll have a bake a blueberry pie to reciprocate-Ha-The boys climbed the tree for her yesterday and picked cherries, ~~and~~ scythed her long grass around the walnut trees, pruned out some dead walnut limbs and mowed her lawn yesterday so they were quite busy-then Jerry mowed our lawn last night and picked the cherries from our little cherry tree, dad hoed his garden and I cut off old flower heads-So we accomplished quite a bit in a short time-it was too hot to be in the house but comfortable outside after the sun went down-I plan to buy a fan to help cool off the house in the late afternoon-

I wish I had your letter to refresh my memory on what you said you'd be doing-I remember a trip up through New England was mentioned but can't remember if it was the last of June or in July-Maybe you're galavanting around right this moment!- We'll take some kind of a vacation later in the summer but I don't know just what it'll be now-Nothing too grandiose since we've had so many trips to Kansas already this year, though

I saw Cynthia Smith ? in the office not too long ago and she asked about you and said to say "Hello"-they live in Salem and like it real well-

I must sign off -Ned will be breezing in the back door soon and I have a few things to do yet-Write soon and catch us up on the news-Oh, I do have a snapshot or two of Ken to send along-they aren't very good, however-I'm getting worse at photography, it seems- He has a nice new camera, and may have pictures to send one of these days-not of graduation, of course- Take care now and write soon-Have you been off on any more trips lately, Jim?

Much love,

Mom & Dad